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U.S. Penent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE **Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form** First Named Applicant: Mohammed Samii Application No.: 10/729,841 Status of Application: Pending Examiner: Anh Ly Art Unit: __ Tentative Participants: (2) John Golian (1) Anh Ly (3) Robert O'Loughlin Proposed Time: 3:00 PM EDT Proposed Date of Interview: Thursday, July 10, 2008 AM/PM Type of Interview Requested: Video Conference | Personal NO YES Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: If yes, provide brief description: **Issues To Be Discussed** Not Agreed Agreed Claims/ Prior Discussed Art Fig. #s (Rej., Obj., etc) (1) 103 Rej. 79, 91, 103 Huang, Vincent Continuation Sheet Attached Brief Description of Argument to be Presented: Applicants' representative requests an interview to discuss differences between the cited art of record and the invention as recited in proposed claim amendments (see attached). An interview was conduction on the above-identified application on _ NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01). This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible. /John S. Golian/ Examiner/SPE Signature Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature John S. Golian Typed/Printed Name of Applicant or Representative 54,702

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PROPOSED CLAIM AMENDMENTS FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY

79. A method of sharing virtual folder items stored in a file system of an operating system, the method comprising:

storing a plurality of items in a file system of an operating system located on a user's computing device;

storing in the operating system one or more values corresponding to operating system properties for each of the plurality of items stored in the file system;

displaying via the operating system a data object corresponding to a virtual folder comprising one or more of the items stored in the file system, wherein the virtual folder comprises a location-independent view of said one or more items;

receiving via the operating system a user request to share one or more of the items in the virtual folder with one or more sharees, wherein sharing the one or more items comprises allowing direct access to the user's computing device on which the one or more items are stored; and

setting permissions on the one or more shared virtual folder items to provide the one or more sharees <u>direct</u> access to said shared virtual folder items stored in a file system on the user's computing device, wherein setting permissions comprises setting an operating system permission property on each of the one or more shared virtual folder items.

91. One or more computer readable media storing computer-executable instructions which, when executed on a computer system user's computing device comprising an operating system, perform a method of sharing virtual folder items stored in a file system of the operating system, the method comprising:

storing a plurality of items in a file system of an operating system <u>located</u> on a user's computing device;

storing in the operating system one or more values corresponding to operating system properties for each of the plurality of items stored in the file system;

creating via the operating system a data object corresponding to a virtual folder comprising one or more of the items stored in the file system, wherein the virtual folder comprises a location-independent view of said one or more items, and further wherein the location-independent view is based on metadata associated with the one or more items;

displaying via the operating system a the data object corresponding to a the virtual folder comprising one or more of the items stored in the file-system, wherein said virtual folder is navigable according to one or more arbitrary parameters independent of said file system;

receiving via the operating system a user request to share one or more of the items in the virtual folder with one or more sharees, wherein sharing the one or more items comprises allowing direct access to the user's computing device on which the one or more items are stored; and

setting permissions on the one or more shared virtual folder items to provide the one or more sharces direct access to said shared virtual folder items stored on the user's computing device, wherein setting permissions comprises setting an operating system permission property on each of the one or more shared virtual folder items.

103. A method of sharing virtual folder items stored in a file system of an operating system, the method comprising:

> storing a plurality of items in a file system of an operating system located on a user's computing device;

> identifying a virtual folder comprising one or more of the items stored in the file system, wherein the virtual folder comprises a location-independent view of said one or more items;

> receiving at the operating system a request to share one or more of the items in the virtual folder with one or more sharees; and

> in response to the sharing request, setting by the operating system useraccess permissions on the one or more shared virtual folder items in the file system, the user-access permissions designating permission levels for the one or more sharees on the one or more shared virtual folder items.